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Now, all applicants applying for California licensure examination (generalists) have two (2) options:

Option #1

Applicants who apply for California licensure using California State Administered Exam must:

- Complete application along with the appropriate fee stated on the application.
- Provide an official transcript (directly from school to LFS).
- Provide an official training verification (from the school training coordinator) or experience (from the laboratory director) showing the beginning date and the ending date of the training/experience. This information should cover various areas in which the rotation/work (chemistry, hematology, immunohematology, serology, parasitology, and bacteriology) was done.

All applicants will automatically receive a unique identification number when their application is entered into the system.

Applicants can check their status on-line using their unique identification number.

Applicants who qualify for state-administered exam will receive an approval letter. About two weeks before the state-administered examination date all applicants will receive the admission letter.

All applications will be evaluated in the order of receipt of the complete application package by LFS.

Option #2

Applicants who apply for California licensure using Certifying Organization Examination must:

- Complete application along with the fee stated on the application.
- Specify certifying organization exam on the application.
- Provide an official transcript (directly from school to LFS).

- Provide an official training verification (from the school training coordinator) or experience (from the laboratory director) showing the beginning date and the ending date of the training/experience. This information should cover various areas in which the rotation/work (chemistry, hematology, immunohematology, serology, parasitology, and bacteriology) was done.

All applicants will automatically receive a unique identification number when their application is entered into the system.

Applicants can check their status on-line using their unique identification number.

All applications will be evaluated in the order of receipt of the complete application package by LFS.

All applicants qualified for a certifying organization exam will receive a letter from LFS to allow them to use the certifying organization exam of their choice.

All applicants who pass the certifying organization exam within 150 days of completing the state licensure application will receive their California license after LFS receives their successful passing scores from an approved certifying organization.

Applicants who have already passed a certifying organization examination before applying for state license (considering the 4 years look back), will receive their California license after LFS receives the confirmation of a successful passing score from the certifying organization.

All qualified applicants who do not take the certifying organization exam within 150 days of completing the state licensure application will be abandoned. Abandoned applicants will need to re-apply and pay the application fee to LFS in order to be re-evaluated for license eligibility. All documents previously submitted will be retained for 3 years.